## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows.

Claims 1-42 (Cancelled).

Please add the following new claims.

43. (New) In an electronic system for transferring data from a local computer to a remote computer, a software program embodied on a computer readable medium for execution on the local computer, the software program having a bulletin object that is responsive to separate commands to perform services comprising:

specifying a type of a bulletin, the bulletin being used to hold status information regarding transfer of the parcel components, wherein each of the parcel components is particularized to contain a particular type of data;

designating a pointer to detail information for the bulletin; sending the bulletin to the remote computer; and receiving the bulletin from the remote computer.

- 44. (New) The software program as recited in claim 43, wherein the particular type of data is batch statement data.
- 45. (New) The parcel manager as recited in claim 43, wherein the particular type of data is selected from the group consisting of consumer information data, payment data, batch

statement data, and statement template data.

46. (New) In an electronic system for transferring data from a local computer to a remote computer, a software program embodied on a computer readable medium for execution on the local computer, the software program having a notification object that is responsive to separate commands to perform services comprising:

awaiting information concerning creation or arrival of a parcel used to carry the data between the local and remote computers, wherein the parcel is particularized to contain a particular type of data;

designating parcel events of which the status is requested; and updating a status on the parcel.

- 47. (New) The software program as recited in claim 46, wherein the particular type of data is batch statement data.
- 48. (New) The software program as recited in claim 46, wherein the particular type of data is selected from the group consisting of consumer information data, payment data, batch statement data, and statement template data.

49. (New) A method for managing transfer of data from a local computer to a remote computer, comprising the following steps:

receiving a request to transfer data at a parcel manager application program interface; creating a parcel object to hold the data via a function of the parcel manager application program interface, wherein the created parcel object is particularized to hold a particular type of data;

creating a notification object via a second function of the parcel manager application program interface; and

tracking, via the notification object, a status of the parcel as the parcel components are transferred to the remote computer.

- 50. (New) A method as recited in claim 49, further comprising the step of creating one or more parcel component objects to hold the data via a function of the parcel object.
- 51. (New) A method as recited in claim 49, further comprising the step of updating the status of the parcel.
- 52. (New) A method as recited in claim 49, wherein the request is received from an external application, and further comprising the step of sending the status of the parcel to the external application.

- 53. (New) A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium to perform the steps in the method as recited in claim 49.
- 54. (New) The parcel manager as recited in claim 49, wherein the particular type of data is batch statement data.
- 55. (New) The parcel manager as recited in claim 49, wherein the particular type of data is selected from the group consisting of consumer information data, payment data, batch statement data, and statement template data.